

## Western Region Alpine Competition Committee

August 21, 2019



### MINUTES

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#### Meeting Chair:

1. Welcome and call to order at 10:03 MST– Tim Hinderman, Chair  
Goal of this meeting is for updates and reports
2. Roll call and review of committee membership – Lucy Schram, Secretary  
ACC Executive: Tim Hinderman, Lucy Schram, Dan Henry  
ACC members: Lex Patten, Beat Hupfer, Mike Ginsberg, John Buchar, Jeremy Ueland, Dan Henry, Sparky Anderson  
Staff: Bill Gunesch, Angie Brown, Fletcher McDonald, Jeff Pickering, Lucy Schram, Carma Burnett, Sherri Hale, Claudia Yamamoto  
Guests: Jim Hudson, Tami Strong, Pete Korfiatis, Bridger Call, Devin Gill, Branko Zagar
3. Review Agenda/Additions - Tim Hinderman, Chair  
Two additions: update on parallel rules under new business, TD expense reporting motion under old business
4. Review and approval of minutes May 14, 2019  
**M/S/A:** Beat Hupfer/Dan Henry/Unanimous
5. US Ski and Snowboard and FIS Updates – Chip Knight is running the Development workshop
6. Western Region Program Update – Bill Gunesch  
formerly introduce Fletcher McDonald as the new WR FIS Coach. Regional newsletter coming out next week that will include his LaParva report, great job, limited snow, reports from coaches that attended were excited about the outcome of the project.
  - 6.1. Western Region Coach – Fletcher McDonald  
Thank you and excited to be on board in the WEST. 12 days on snow in LaParva, contacts down there made it worth the time and solid accomplishments.  
Italy project being built out currently, COE prior to departure for physical testing, will include 12 days on snow. Will move into Sun Valley and work with the PG WEST Team upon return.
  - 6.2. Youth Development Coach – Jeff Pickering  
fantastic and fun prep period for U16's and one project with the U14's, plus a crossover of U16's and FIS kids. Thank you to camp hosts. Questions please give Pick a call. Kids that are on a Regional project track, there are 7 projects available, 8 National projects available. Trying to manage Divisional/Regional/National project calendar as it's busy.
  - 6.3. Western Region Manager – Angie Brown  
engaged over 130 athletes in these pre season projects, none of the projects have come in at a loss. Angie is at her one-year anniversary, feeling more confident, excited about the new year.
7. WR Committee Reports and Proposals
  - 7.1. Executive Committee Report – Tim Hinderman, Chair  
one disciplinary action that took place at Mt. Hood, handled by staff and reported to the EC, is now in the hands of the club, no further action required.
  - 7.2. Treasurer Report – Troy Price, Treasurer is in NZ with athletes, unable to attend  
Bill – 2<sup>nd</sup> budget draft sent out, looking for approval at the Fall Call.

Angie – Troy would like to bump up the amount into savings, Troy and Angie will work close to finalize the budget in prep for approval at the Fall Call. Still waiting on the number of WEST team athletes prior to finalizing the budget.

- 7.3. Site Selection Committee – Bill Gunesch
  - 7.3.1. Calendar updates  
Google sheet is still current, only thing that hasn't been finalized is the Nor Am Finals.
  - 7.3.2. U16 Regional Development Group Project: Friday – Sunday prior to Christmas (12.20-22. 2019), will be hosted at Mission Ridge. Selection for Europe Trips will be part of the results from this series.  
½ day training of SL, ½ day training of GS on Friday, Saturday 2 run GS race, Sunday 2 run SL race.
- 7.4. Development Committee – Dan Henry, Vice Chair
  - 7.4.1. Working group (Dan, Will Brandenburg, Pete Korfiatis) possibly reducing the size and the criteria for the RTG and WEST Team. Proposal will be available at the end of September.
  - 7.4.2. Alan Hayes Cup: scoring system needed. **ACTION ITEM:** Need a representative from each division to work on the scoring system to have posted in the WR PnP. Representatives to Dan by September 5th
- 8. National Committee Reports
  - 8.1. U16 and Older Working Group – Pete Korfiatis  
U16 Nationals quota changes (Beat will address), cost of the sport working group from across the Nation and Pete will be leading this from key members.
  - 8.2. U14 and Younger Working Group – Jim Hudson  
Congress was active: 3 rules passed  
Speed Suits: recommend one race without speed suits  
One pair of ski for inspection and racing, U12 and under  
No benches or fluorinated wax for U12, Far West has gone up to the U14's with this one.
  - 8.3. Club Development Working Group – Tami Strong  
next call at the end of this month. Sending out info to Divisional leaders to pass along to clubs for certification. Many clubs need to re certify.  
"Guide to Club Excellence Handbook," being reviewed by the committee.
  - 8.4. Coaches Education Working Group -Scott McGrew, no report  
Bill reported that a calendar of level 100 and 200 clinics in the WEST. Will be coming out in an email blast.
  - 8.5. Quotas and Selections – Beat Hupfer  
National Jr Championships quota update. Regional Quotas of 14 and 12, Nor Am Standings and NPS plus space for development spots. Being voted on at the ASC level right now. Want to make sure it is in the ACR.  
**ACTION ITEM:** Action to the Development committee. how to fill Regional Quota to the National Jr Championships
  - 8.6. Regional Subcommittee – Craig Krueger, no report available  
Lucy reported that the Western US HS Champs will take place in March in Mammoth.
  - 8.7. Officials Update – Roger Root
    - 8.7.1. Materials are on schedule to be released after the Zurich meetings
    - 8.7.2. US TD reports are being reviewed Divisionally
    - 8.7.3. Level 3 TD's can help inspect/report for the courses working group to help Homologation inspections. Strategic assigning needs to take place.

- 8.7.4. Nominations need to head to Roger for the two open WR Seats to the US TD Working Group. Nominations need to be in prior to the WR Fall Call.
- 8.7.5. Bill Gunesch reminded everyone to stay up on the Safe Sport rules, lodging and travel rules, etc.

9. Old Business

9.1. TD Expense Report Reimbursement proposal

The region will collect a \$4.00 head tax on all divisional races scored to the National Points List, and a \$1.00 head tax on all non-scored divisional races. The region will collect head tax of \$12 for any FIS race in the Western Region.

TD Expense Reimbursement: The OC of a Western Region FIS event may request reimbursement for TD expenses up to the daily FIS TD Per Diem allotment. A copy of the TD's Expense Report must accompany the OC's request for reimbursement. The OC is still responsible for all other TD expenses including meals, accommodations and travel.

**M/S/A:** Beat Hupfer/Mike Ginsberg/passed

10. New Business

- 10.1. Parallel task force worked through the summer to update the Parallel rules, they are currently being voted upon by the ASC so that they can be included in the ACR. Other items being added to the materials: Parallel check list in the master packet of forms; Thelma has created a comprehensive parallel ppt for education of the event and rules; the non-elimination format info will be available, brackets will be included in the ACR for parallel events.

11. Next Meeting –

Fall call: October 23, 2019 10am MST

April meeting: April 22, 2020 in Reno

May Congress: May 11, 13:00 – 18:00 in Park City

12. Adjournment: 11:01